

STUDIES ON STORAGE BEHAVIOR OF SYRUP PREPARED FROM NAGPUR MANDARIN (*CITRUS RETICULATE* BLANCO)

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ABSTRACT

The storage behavior of syrup prepared from mandarin orange juice having 550B TSS using different preservative levels (150, 250 and 350 ppm sodium benzoate) packed with different packaging materials (glass bottles and PET bottles) and stored at ambient (19.80-27.60°C and 43.00-70.60 % R.H.) and cold storage (5 ± 2°C and 92 - 95 % R.H.) was studied. The data regarding chemical composition of syrup revealed that, there was an increase in TSS, acidity, total sugars, reducing sugars while pH and ascorbic acid decreased in all treatments of syrup during 180 days of storage. During sensory evaluation, decrease was observed in color, flavor, taste, overall acceptability of syrup during 180 days of storage. The microbial quality viz. Yeast and mold count of syrup were found to be increased during 180 days of storage. The microbial growth was observed within acceptable level in all treatments of syrup. The treatment combination of syrup T11 (S2P3B1, syrup prepared with 350 ppm preservative levels packed in glass bottles and stored in cold storage) followed by T12 (S2P3B2, syrup prepared with 350 ppm preservative levels packed in PET bottles and stored in cold storage) based on chemical composition, sensory evolution and microbial quality was found to be superior as compared to other treatments. Nagpur mandarin syrup of 55°B could be stored for 180 days in a glass bottle in cold storage (5±2°C) by using 350 ppm sodium benzoate as preservative. The cost economics of prepared syrup were observed to be Rs. 55.02 per liter.

KEYWORDS: Nagpur Mandarin, Syrup, Sodium Benzoate, Packaging Materials, Storage, Sensory, Chemical Composition, Yeast and Mold Count & Cost of Preparation

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INTRODUCTION

Mandarin orange (*Citrus reticulata* Blanco) is one of the most popular citrus fruit having attractive bright color, appealing taste and flavor. Citrus is grown in 114 countries around the world. Out of these, 53 countries grow citrus commercially with a total production of more than 115 million tonnes. On production basis, China tops the list with 22.9 million tonnes, followed by Brazil with 22.7 million tonnes and USA with 10.4 million tones. India with 10.48 million tonnes is in 4th position (Anonymous, 2015). At present mandarin cultivation has assumed great

importance among north Indian growers and a large acreage of land is being brought under cultivation, particularly in Punjab, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Assam and Karnataka. Total mandarin production in India is 3.70 million tones with 0.31 million ha area and 9.3 tons/ ha as productivity (Ladaniya, 2015). In Maharashtra, mandarin is grown in an area of 1.35 lakh ha area with the production of 7.425 lakh MT with the productivity of 5.5 MT per hectares (Anonymous, 2015 a). Citrus fruits have numerous therapeutic properties like anticancer, anti-tumor and anti-inflammatory reported by Etebu *et al.* (2014). These properties are due to the photon- vitamins and nutrients present in the citrus fruits. Aslin (2014) Nagpur Santra is the most important commercial cultivar of India. This cultivar is considered to be one of the finest mandarins in the world. Its cultivation is concentrated mainly in the Nagpur region of central India. The fruit is large in size and mild, pleasant and aromatic flavor. Abundant juice, 4 to 11 seeds, poly embryonic, quality deteriorates if stored or kept on the tree after ripening (Chattopadhyay, 2007). Presently 95 per cent of the production goes for the fresh fruit market. It is notable that due to poor post-harvest infrastructure, wastage of mandarin is around 25-30 per cent and that only 5 per cent of the total production is processed presently (Anonymous. 2015b). A research work was therefore undertaken to study the storage behavior of Nagpur mandarin syrup and their cost economics.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Nagpur Mandarin Fruits

Fully ripened, mature, fresh and sound fruits were purchased from orange orchard located in Ahmednagar district of Maharashtra for preparation of syrup and the materials such as citric acid, sodium benzoate were also purchased from local markets. Fruit was washed in tap water and then were peeled and used as experimental materials in the following procedure.

Syrup Preparation

The juice was extracted by using screw type pulper and used for preparation of syrup. Sugar syrup was prepared by addition of water in sugar to boiling at a temperature of 90 °C, then the sugar syrup temperature decreased up to 60 °C and juice was mixed well with it. The syrup was bottled in the pre-sterilized 200 mL transparent glass bottles and PET bottles and sealed. After bottling, all syrup samples were sterilized for 20 min. The prepared syrup was stored at ambient (19.80-27.60 °C and 43.00 – 70.60% R.H.) and cold (5±2 °C and 92-95% R.H.) storage. The treatment details are given in Table 1. The syrup samples were evaluated at an interval of 30 days up to 6 months for Physio-chemical analysis, sensory evaluation and microbial count. The process flow chart for preparation of syrup was shown in Figure 1.

Observations were Recorded

Physical Parameters of Fresh Mandarin Fruit

The physical parameters such as fruit weight (g), peel weight (g), seed weight (g), juice weight (g), pomace weight (g), peel thickness (cm), fruit length (cm), fruit breadth (cm) and Segment (pcs) were recorded.

Chemical Analysis

The chemical parameters such as TSS, titratable acidity, pH, ascorbic acid (vitamin C), total sugars, and reducing sugars was determined by the standard method as suggested by A.O.A.C. (1990) and Ranganna (2005).

Sensory Evaluation

For assessing sensory quality attributes, organoleptic evaluation was carried by a panel of 8-10 judges by using 9-

point hedonic scale as given by Amerine *et al.* (1979) and Ranganna (2005).

Microbial Quality

The microbial (yeast and mold) analysis of Nagpur mandarin syrup was carried out by taking 1mL of each of the sample and add to 9 ml of sterilized distilled water, serial dilution were done on all samples (10^{-6}). 1mL of each from appropriate dilution was plated on required medium (PDA) and then incubation was carried out. In each count, after incubation, the average count of colonies present on Petri plates were multiplied by dilution factor and expressed as CFU (colony forming unit) /ml of sample (Adedeji and Oluwana, 2013).

- **Statistical Analysis**

The experiments were planned and carried out using Factorial Completely Randomized Design (FCRD) with three replications. The data obtained in the present investigation from chemical composition and sensory parameters were analyzed for the statistical significance according to the procedure given by Panse and Sukhatme (1985).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Physic-Chemical Composition of Fresh Nagpur Mandarin Fruit

The results for physical-chemical composition of fresh mandarin orange fruit CV. Nagpur mandarin is presented in Table 2. The data revealed that the fresh Nagpur mandarin had 128.8 g fruit weight, 19.59 g peel weight (15.21%), 3.10 g seed weight (2.41%), 68.39 g juice weight (53.09%), 37.72g pomace weight (29.29%), 0.24 cm peel thickness, 5.6 cm fruit length, 6.21 cm fruit breath, 11 pieces of segments, 10.72⁰B total soluble solids, 0.621 percent acidity, 3.89 pH, 43.46mg/100 ml ascorbic acid, 9.68 per cent total sugars and 3.89 per cent reducing sugars, respectively. Similar results were also recorded by Kumar (2009) and Verma *et. al.*, (2012) in Nagpur mandarin

Chemical Composition of Nagpur Mandarin Syrup during Storage

The data for changes in chemical composition of Nagpur mandarin syrup subjected to different packaging materials, preservative levels and storage conditions are given and discussed below.

Total Soluble Solids (T.S.S.) (°B)

The TSS content of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically significant up to 60 days of storage afterward it was observed non-significant. The minimum increase in TSS of syrup was found in high preservative level when packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The minimum TSS was recorded in S2P3B1 (56.850 to 58.080 °B) followed by S2P3B2 (56.850 to 58.200 °B), while the maximum TSS was recorded in S1P1B2 (56.850 to 59.010 °B) followed by S1P1B1 (56.850 to 58.970 °B) during 180 days of storage period (Table 3). The TSS content increased during the storage period in syrup might be due to reduction of moisture content by evaporation of water, conversion of insoluble carbohydrates into soluble sugars and hydrolysis of polysaccharides into monosaccharide and oligosaccharides during storage. The results are in agreement with the research work carried out by Das (2009) on jamun RTS, nectar, squash and syrup and Mandal *et al.* (2014) in aonla syrup.

Acidity (%)

The acidity of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically non-significant. The minimum increase in acidity of syrup was found in high preservative level packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The minimum

acidity was recorded in S2P3B1 (from 0.930 to 1.081 %) followed by S2P3B2 (from 0.930 to 1.088 %), while the maximum acidity was recorded in S1P1B2 (from 0.930 to 1.137 %) followed by S1P1B1 (from 0.930 to 1.133 %) during 180 days of storage period (Table 3). The acidity increased during 180 days of storage period might be due to decrease in pH, degradation of pectic substances into soluble solids and release of acid from juice particles. The results are in agreement with the research work carried out by Das (2009) in RTS, nectar, squash and syrup prepared from jamun and Mandal *et al.* (2014) in aonla syrup

pH

The pH content of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically non-significant. The minimum decrease in pH of syrup was found in high preservative level packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The maximum pH was recorded in S2P3B1 (from 3.170 to 2.390) followed by S2P3B2 (from 3.170 to 2.360), while the minimum pH was recorded in S1P1B2 (from 3.170 to 1.940) followed by S1P1B1 (from 3.170 to 1.957) during 180 days of storage period (Table 3). The pH content was decreased during the advancement of storage period. The decrease in value of pH occurs due to degradation of pectin substances, formation of acidic compounds by degradation of reducing sugars, variation in composition of beverage and accumulation of organic acid would make the pH value drop during fermentation. The results are in agreement with the research work carried out by Chatha *et al.* (2008) on mandarin beverages.

Ascorbic Acid (mg per 100 mL)

The ascorbic acid content of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically significant upto 150 days of storage from 150 upto end of storage period (180 days) was recorded non-significant. The minimum decrease in ascorbic acid of syrup was found in high preservative level packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The maximum ascorbic acid was recorded in S2P3B1 from 16.80 to 11.38 mg/100mL followed by S2P3B2 from 16.80 to 10.82 mg/100mL, while the minimum ascorbic acid was recorded in S1P1B2 from 16.80 to 6.08 mg/100mL followed by S1P1B1 from 16.80 to 7.09 mg/100mL during 180 days of storage period (Table 3). The ascorbic acid content during 180 days of storage was found to be decreased, which might be due to oxidation of ascorbic acid, oxidation of ascorbic acid by enzymes and various treatments applied, conversion of L-ascorbic acid into dihydro ascorbic acid oxidase (ascorbinase) because of heat processing and the presence of air in the head space of packaging materials. Similar results were also reported Das (2009) in RTS, nectar, squash and syrup of jamun.

Total Sugars (%)

The total sugar content of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically non-significant. The minimum increase in total sugars of syrup was found in high preservative level packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The minimum total sugars were recorded in S2P3B1 from 47.82 to 49.500 per cent, followed by S2P3B2 from 47.82 to 49.513 per cent, while the maximum total sugars were recorded in S1P1B2 from 47.82 to 49.907 per cent, followed by S1P1B1 from 47.82 to 49.857 per cent during 180 days of storage period (Table 3). The total sugars during 180 days of storage period were found to be increased which might be due to loss of moisture or due to conversion of starch and carbohydrates into sugars, hydrolysis of polysaccharides (like pectin, cellulose and starch) into monosaccharide and oligosaccharides, inactivation of enzymes which are responsible for decreasing acidity and the conversion of polysaccharides into simple sugars. The results are in agreement with the research work carried out by Mandal *et al.* (2014) on aonla syrup.

Reducing Sugars (%)

The reducing sugars of Nagpur mandarin syrup were found to be statistically non-significant. The minimum increase in reducing sugars of syrup was found in high preservative level packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The minimum, reducing sugars was recorded in S2P3B1 from 21.31 to 21.840 per cent, followed by S2P3B2 from 21.31 to 21.863 per cent, while the maximum reducing sugars was recorded in S1P1B2 from 21.31 to 22.280 per cent, followed by S1P1B1 from 21.31 to 22.226 per cent during 180 days of storage period (Table 3). The data revealed that, there was increase in reducing sugar content during 180 days' storage. During storage, the reducing sugars were increased which might be due to hydrolysis of non-reducing sugars to reducing sugars, inversion process of sucrose to glucose and fructose by the acid, gradual inversion of non-reducing sugars and acids into reducing sugars in acidic medium, in heat processed juices during storage might be due to the inactivation of enzymes, which might play an important part in the reactions responsible for decreasing acidity and conversion of polysaccharides into simple sugars. The results are in agreement with the research work carried out by Mandal *et al.* (2014) on aonla syrup.

Sensory Evaluation of Nagpur Mandarin Syrup during Storage

Colour

The color of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically non-significant up to 90 days of storage afterward it was observed significant. The minimum decrease in color of syrup was found in high preservative level when packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The maximum color scores were recorded in S2P3B1 from 7.19 to 6.92 followed by S2P3B2 from 7.13 to 6.85, while the minimum color scores were recorded in S1P1B2 from 5.96 to 5.09 followed by S1P1B1 from 6.11 to 5.18 during 180 days of storage (Table 4). The data indicates that the scores for colour decreased continuously during 180 days of storage. This might be due to non-enzymatic reaction of organic acid with sugars or oxidation of phenols, which leads to the formation of brown pigments. Similar results were also observed by Chatha *et al.* (2008) on color of mandarin beverage.

Flavour

The flavor of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically non-significant up to 60 day of storage afterward it was observed statistically significant. The minimum decrease in flavour of syrup was found in high preservative level packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The maximum flavour scores were recorded in S2P3B1 from 8.17 to 7.61 followed by S2P3B2 from 8.11 to 7.54, while the minimum flavour scores were recorded in S1P1B2 from 6.94 to 5.78 followed by S1P1B1 from 7.09 to 5.87 during 180 days of storage period (Table 4). The score of flavour in all treatments were decreased with increase of storage period which might be due to temperature which reduced the orange like flavour and increased the presence of off-flavors. The similar results were also observed by Chatha *et al.* (2008) on flavour of mandarin beverage.

Taste

The taste of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically non-significant up to 60 day of storage afterward significant. The minimum decrease in taste of syrup was found in high preservative level packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The maximum taste scores were recorded in S2P3B1 from 8.19 to 7.68 followed by S2P3B2 from 8.13 to 7.61, while the minimum taste scores were recorded in S1P1B2 from 6.86 to 5.85 followed by S1P1B1 from 6.94 to 5.94 during 180 days of storage period (Table 4). From the data, it was observed that the taste scores were decreased gradually

during 180 days of storage. The gradual loss in taste scores over the entire storage period was due to changes in volatile compounds of beverages. The similar results were also observed by Perez *et al.* (2005) on taste of mandarin; Chatha *et al.* (2008) on taste of mandarin beverage.

Overall Acceptability

The overall acceptability of Nagpur mandarin syrup was found to be statistically non-significant up to 30 day of storage afterward found to be significant. The minimum decrease in overall acceptability of syrup was found in high preservative level packed in glass bottle and stored in cold storage. The maximum overall acceptability scores were recorded in S2P3B1 from 7.85 to 7.40 followed by S2P3B2 from 7.79 to 7.33, while the minimum overall acceptability scores were recorded in S1P1B2 from 6.59 to 5.57 followed by S1P1B1 from 6.71 to 5.66 during 180 days of storage (Table 4). The data on changes in overall acceptability score observed that all the treatments had decreasing trend during 180 days which might be due to oxidation, storage time, temperature, oxygen content, light exposure, packaging materials sorption or chemical contamination and changes in volatile compounds of beverages. The similar results were also observed by Perez *et al.* (2005) in mandarin; Chatha *et al.* (2008) in mandarin beverage.

Microbial Quality (Yeast and Mould) of Nagpur Mandarin Syrup

The data presented in Table 5 revealed that, the microbial detection was negligible and within acceptable level (less than 2.00 colony forming unit per mL) in all treatment combinations at ambient storage upto 180 days in syrup. The microbial detection was negligible and within acceptable level in all treatment combinations at cold storage upto 180 days in syrup. The microbial growth was found to be within acceptable level in the syrup which might be due to acid environment, chemical preservative, packaging materials, high sugar level maintained the syrup at a safe level and has prevented microbial growth. Similar results reported by Covadonga *et al.* (2002) on orange juice; Himani (2003) on kinnow mandarin juice.

Cost of Preparation of Nagpur Mandarin Syrup

It could be observed from the Table 6 that the cost of preparation of syrup prepared from Nagpur mandarin fruits was found to be Rs. 55.02 per litre

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

The data regarding chemical composition revealed that, there was increase in TSS, acidity, total sugars, reducing sugars while pH and ascorbic acid decreased in all treatments of syrup during 180 days of storage. During sensory evaluation decrease was observed in colour, flavour, taste, overall acceptability of syrup during 180 days of storage. The microbial quality viz. yeast and mould count of syrup were found to be increased during 180 days of storage. The microbial growth was observed within acceptable level in all treatments of syrup. The treatment combination of syrup T11 (S2P3B1) followed by T12 (S2P3B2) based on chemical composition, sensory evolution and microbial quality was found to be superior as compared to other treatments. The cost of preparation of 1 liter syrup from Nagpur mandarin fruits was found to be Rs. 55.02 for best treatment combination of S2P3B1 i.e. cold storage+350 ppm preservative level+ glass bottle.

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APPENDICES

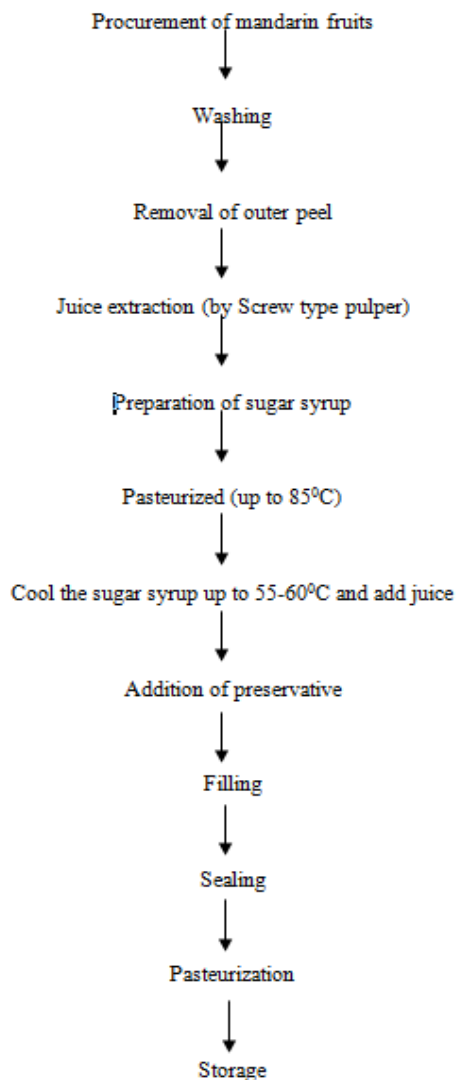


Figure 1: Flow Process Chart for Preparation of Syrup

Table 1: Treatments Details

T. NO	Treatment Combinations	
T1	S1P1B1	Room Storage + 150ppm Sodium Benzoate + Glass Bottle.
T2	S1P1B2	Room Storage + 150ppm Sodium Benzoate + Pet Bottle.
T3	S1P2B1	Room Storage + 250ppm Sodium Benzoate + Glass Bottle
T4	S1P2B2	Room Storage + 250ppm Sodium Benzoate + Pet Bottle
T5	S1P3B1	Room Storage + 350ppm Sodium Benzoate + Glass Bottle.
T6	S1P3B2	Room Storage + 350ppm Sodium Benzoate + Pet Bottle.
T7	S2P1B1	Cold Storage + 150ppm Sodium Benzoate + Glass Bottle.
T8	S2P1B2	Cold Storage + 150ppm Sodium Benzoate + Pet Bottle.
T9	S2P2B1	Cold Storage + 250ppm Sodium Benzoate + Glass Bottle
T10	S2P2B2	Cold Storage + 250ppm Sodium Benzoate + Pet Bottle
T11	S2P3B1	Cold Storage + 350ppm Sodium Benzoate + Glass Bottle.
T12	S2P3B2	Cold Storage + 350ppm Sodium Benzoate + Pet Bottle.

Table 2: Physic-chemical Characteristics of Nagpur Mandarin Fruit (Average of 30 Fruit)

S. no	Parameters	Contents
1	Fruit wt. (g)	128.8 (100%)
2	Peel wt. (g)	19.59 (15.21%)
3	Seed wt. (g)	3.10 (2.41%)
4	Juice wt. (g)	68.39 (53.09%)
5	Pomace wt. (g)	37.72 (29.29%)
6	peel thickness (cm)	0.24
7	fruit length (cm)	5.60
8	fruit breadth (cm)	6.21
9	Segment (pcs)	11.00
10	T.S.S. (°B)	10.72
11	Acidity (%)	0.621
12	pH	3.89
13	Ascorbic Acid (mg/100 ml)	43.46
14	Total Sugars (%)	9.68
15	Reducing Sugars (%)	3.89

Table 3: Chemical Composition of Nagpur Mandarin Syrup during 180 Days of Storage

Particulars ^a	Storage ^b	Treatments ^c															SE.M(±) ^d	CD@5% ^e	CD@1% ^f
	Period ^g	T1 ^h	T2 ^h	T3 ^h	T4 ^h	T5 ^h	T6 ^h	T7 ^h	T8 ^h	T9 ^h	T10 ^h	T11 ^h	T12 ^h						
α	α	T1 ^h	T2 ^h	T3 ^h	T4 ^h	T5 ^h	T6 ^h	T7 ^h	T8 ^h	T9 ^h	T10 ^h	T11 ^h	T12 ^h	SE.M(±) ^d	CD@5% ^e	CD@1% ^f			
Total Soluble Solid ^{ab}																			
°α	30α	57.86α	57.90α	57.70α	57.78α	57.49α	57.56α	57.31α	57.38α	57.19α	57.23α	56.97α	57.09α	0.01α	0.03α	NSα			
°α	60α	58.10α	58.14α	57.94α	58.02α	57.73α	57.80α	57.55α	57.62α	57.43α	57.47α	57.21α	57.33α	0.01α	0.03α	NSα			
°α	90α	58.38α	58.42α	58.22α	58.30α	58.01α	58.08α	57.83α	57.90α	57.71α	57.75α	57.49α	57.61α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	120α	58.56α	58.60α	58.40α	58.48α	58.19α	58.26α	58.01α	58.08α	57.89α	57.93α	57.67α	57.79α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	150α	58.89α	58.93α	58.73α	58.81α	58.52α	58.59α	58.34α	58.41α	58.22α	58.26α	58.00α	58.12α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	180α	58.97α	59.01α	58.81α	58.89α	58.60α	58.67α	58.42α	58.49α	58.30α	58.34α	58.08α	58.20α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
Acidity-%α																			
°α	30α	0.99α	1.00α	0.98α	0.99α	0.98α	0.98α	0.97α	0.97α	0.95α	0.96α	0.94α	0.95α	0.01α	NSα	NSα			
°α	60α	1.01α	1.01α	1.00α	1.00α	0.99α	1.00α	0.98α	0.99α	0.96α	0.97α	0.95α	0.96α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	90α	1.01α	1.02α	1.00α	1.01α	1.00α	1.00α	0.98α	0.99α	0.97α	0.98α	0.96α	0.97α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	120α	1.03α	1.03α	1.02α	1.03α	1.02α	1.02α	1.00α	1.01α	0.99α	0.99α	0.98α	0.98α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	150α	1.05α	1.05α	1.04α	1.05α	1.04α	1.04α	1.02α	1.03α	1.01α	1.02α	1.00α	1.01α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	180α	1.13α	1.14α	1.12α	1.13α	1.12α	1.12α	1.11α	1.11α	1.09α	1.10α	1.08α	1.09α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
pHα																			
°α	30α	2.68α	2.66α	2.76α	2.72α	2.88α	2.83α	2.98α	2.97α	3.04α	3.01α	3.11α	3.08α	0.01α	NSα	NSα			
°α	60α	2.43α	2.41α	2.51α	2.47α	2.63α	2.58α	2.73α	2.72α	2.79α	2.76α	2.86α	2.83α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	90α	2.20α	2.18α	2.28α	2.24α	2.40α	2.35α	2.50α	2.49α	2.56α	2.53α	2.63α	2.60α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	120α	2.15α	2.13α	2.23α	2.19α	2.35α	2.30α	2.45α	2.44α	2.51α	2.48α	2.58α	2.55α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	150α	2.00α	1.98α	2.08α	2.04α	2.20α	2.15α	2.30α	2.29α	2.36α	2.33α	2.43α	2.40α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	180α	1.96α	1.94α	2.04α	2.00α	2.16α	2.11α	2.26α	2.25α	2.32α	2.29α	2.39α	2.36α	0.03α	NSα	NSα			
Ascorbic Acid-mg/100mLα																			
°α	30α	10.83α	9.82α	11.22α	11.03α	12.07α	11.45α	13.01α	12.50α	14.15α	13.95α	15.12α	14.56α	0.05α	0.13α	0.19α			
°α	60α	9.47α	8.46α	9.86α	9.67α	10.71α	10.09α	11.65α	11.14α	12.79α	12.59α	13.76α	13.20α	0.05α	0.14α	0.20α			
°α	90α	7.90α	6.89α	8.29α	8.10α	9.14α	8.52α	10.08α	9.57α	11.22α	11.02α	12.19α	11.63α	0.05α	0.15α	0.22α			
°α	120α	7.64α	6.63α	8.03α	7.84α	8.88α	8.26α	9.82α	9.31α	10.96α	10.76α	11.93α	11.37α	0.06α	0.16α	0.22α			
°α	150α	7.34α	6.33α	7.73α	7.54α	8.58α	7.96α	9.52α	9.01α	10.66α	10.46α	11.63α	11.07α	0.10α	NSα	NSα			
°α	180α	7.09α	6.08α	7.48α	7.29α	8.33α	7.71α	9.27α	8.76α	10.41α	10.21α	11.38α	10.82α	0.16α	NSα	NSα			
Total Sugars-%α																			
°α	30α	48.27α	48.32α	48.21α	48.24α	48.07α	48.17α	48.00α	48.03α	47.95α	47.99α	47.91α	47.93α	0.01α	0.04α	NSα			
°α	60α	48.39α	48.44α	48.33α	48.36α	48.19α	48.29α	48.12α	48.15α	48.07α	48.11α	48.03α	48.04α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	90α	48.63α	48.68α	48.57α	48.60α	48.43α	48.53α	48.36α	48.39α	48.31α	48.35α	48.27α	48.28α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	120α	48.92α	48.97α	48.86α	48.89α	48.72α	48.82α	48.65α	48.68α	48.60α	48.64α	48.56α	48.57α	0.02α	NSα	NSα			
°α	150α	49.33α	49.38α	49.27α	49.30α	49.13α	49.23α	49.06α	49.09α	49.01α	49.05α	48.97α	48.98α	0.03α	NSα	NSα			
°α	180α	49.86α	49.91α	49.80α	49.83α	49.66α	49.76α	49.59α	49.62α	49.54α	49.58α	49.50α	49.51α	0.03α	NSα	NSα			

Table 4: Sensory Parameters of Nagpur Mandarin Syrup during 180 Days of Storage

Particulars	Storage Period															
	(Days)	Treatments														
		T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	T7	T8	T9	T10	T11	T12	SE. M(±)	CD @ 5%	CD @ 1%
Color																
	0	6.11	5.96	6.58	6.37	6.9	6.87	6.97	6.95	7.08	7.02	7.19	7.13	0.4734	NS	NS
	30	5.39	5.3	5.53	5.51	5.78	5.57	6.26	6.13	6.98	6.85	7.13	7.06	0.1501	NS	NS
	60	5.36	5.27	5.5	5.48	5.75	5.54	6.23	6.1	6.95	6.82	7.1	7.03	0.0566	NS	NS
	90	5.32	5.23	5.46	5.44	5.71	5.5	6.19	6.06	6.91	6.78	7.06	6.99	0.0416	NS	NS
	120	5.24	5.15	5.38	5.36	5.63	5.42	6.11	5.98	6.83	6.7	6.98	6.91	0.0127	0.0357	0.0502
	150	5.21	5.12	5.35	5.33	5.6	5.39	6.08	5.95	6.8	6.67	6.95	6.88	0.0104	0.0292	0.0411
	180	5.18	5.09	5.32	5.3	5.57	5.36	6.05	5.92	6.77	6.64	6.92	6.85	0.0069	0.0195	0.0274
Flavor																
	0	7.09	6.94	7.56	7.35	7.88	7.85	7.95	7.93	8.06	8	8.17	8.11	0.4157	NS	NS
	30	6.34	6.25	6.48	6.46	6.73	6.52	7.21	7.08	7.93	7.8	8.08	8.01	0.0924	NS	NS
	60	6.26	6.17	6.4	6.38	6.65	6.44	7.13	7	7.85	7.72	8	7.93	0.0531	NS	NS
	90	6.15	6.06	6.29	6.27	6.54	6.33	7.02	6.89	7.74	7.61	7.89	7.82	0.0208	0.0584	0.0822
	120	6.11	6.02	6.25	6.23	6.5	6.29	6.98	6.85	7.7	7.57	7.85	7.78	0.0121	0.0341	0.048
	150	6.01	5.92	6.15	6.13	6.4	6.19	6.88	6.75	7.6	7.47	7.75	7.68	0.0092	0.026	0.0365
	180	5.87	5.78	6.01	5.99	6.26	6.05	6.74	6.61	7.46	7.33	7.61	7.54	0.0058	0.0162	0.0228
Taste																
	0	6.94	6.86	7.58	7.34	7.9	7.87	7.97	7.95	8.08	8.02	8.19	8.13	0.2483	NS	NS
	30	6.38	6.29	6.52	6.5	6.77	6.56	7.25	7.12	7.97	7.84	8.12	8.05	0.0566	NS	NS
	60	6.29	6.2	6.43	6.41	6.68	6.47	7.16	7.03	7.88	7.75	8.03	7.96	0.0358	NS	NS
	90	6.25	6.16	6.39	6.37	6.64	6.43	7.12	6.99	7.84	7.71	7.99	7.92	0.0127	0.0357	0.0502
	120	6.18	6.09	6.32	6.3	6.57	6.36	7.05	6.92	7.77	7.64	7.92	7.85	0.011	0.0308	0.0434
	150	6.02	5.93	6.16	6.14	6.41	6.2	6.89	6.76	7.61	7.48	7.76	7.69	0.0098	0.0276	0.0388
	180	5.94	5.85	6.08	6.06	6.33	6.12	6.81	6.68	7.53	7.4	7.68	7.61	0.0081	0.0227	0.032
Overall Acceptability																
	0	6.71	6.59	7.24	7.02	7.56	7.53	7.63	7.61	7.74	7.68	7.85	7.79	0.2367	NS	NS
	30	6.04	5.95	6.18	6.16	6.43	6.22	6.91	6.78	7.63	7.5	7.78	7.71	0.056	NS	NS
	60	5.97	5.88	6.11	6.09	6.36	6.15	6.84	6.71	7.56	7.43	7.71	7.64	0.0346	0.0973	NS
	90	5.91	5.82	6.05	6.03	6.3	6.09	6.78	6.65	7.5	7.37	7.65	7.58	0.0121	0.0341	0.048
	120	5.84	5.75	5.98	5.96	6.23	6.02	6.71	6.58	7.43	7.3	7.58	7.51	0.011	0.0308	0.0434
	150	5.75	5.66	5.89	5.87	6.14	5.93	6.62	6.49	7.34	7.21	7.49	7.42	0.0098	0.0276	0.0388
	180	5.66	5.57	5.8	5.78	6.05	5.84	6.53	6.4	7.25	7.12	7.4	7.33	0.0087	0.0243	0.0343

Table 5: Effect of Storage Conditions, Preservative Levels and Packing Materials on Microbial (Yeast and Mold) Quality of Nagpur Mandarin Syrup Along with their Treatment Combinations. Count (No. x 10⁶ cfu/mL)

Tre. Combination		Storage Period/ Count Period						
		0 Days	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	120 Days	150 Days	180 Days
T1	S1P1B1	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.39	1.42	1.46
T2	S1P1B2	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.42	1.45	1.49
T3	S1P2B1	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.28	1.31	1.35
T4	S1P2B2	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.32	1.35	1.39
T5	S1P3B1	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.21	1.24	1.28
T6	S1P3B2	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.26	1.29	1.33
T7	S2P1B1	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.15	1.18	1.22
T8	S2P1B2	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.17	1.2	1.24
T9	S2P2B1	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.07	1.1	1.14
T10	S2P2B2	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.11
T11	S2P3B1	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	1
T12	S2P3B2	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.02	1.05

ND= not detected.

Table 6: Cost of Preparation of Nagpur Mandarin Syrup

Sr. No.	Particulars	Quantity	Rate (Rs.)	Cost (Rs.)
I. Fixed Cost				
1.	Interest @ 12 per cent on fixed assets of 350 kg/hour capacity screw type pulper is Rs 68000/- (Rs 8160 for 365 days i.e. Rs 22.36 per day). Working time 8 hours			0.060
2.	Depreciation @ 10 per cent on fixed assets of 350 kg/hour capacity screw type pulper is Rs 68000/- (Rs 6800 for 365 days i.e. Rs 18.63 per day). Working time 8 hours			0.050
Total				0.11
II. Variable Cost				
1.	Nagpur mandarin fruit (4000 ml juice)	7.600 kg	30.00 per kg	228.00
2.	Sugar	08.201	30.00/kg	246.03
3.	Citric acid	0.118 kg	120.00/kg	14.46
4.	Water charges	3.68 liter	1.00/ liter	3.68
5.	Preservative	5.6 g	1000/ kg	5.60
6.	Glass bottle (650ml)	24	12.00	288.00
7.	Crown cork	24	0.60	14.40
Total				800.17
8.	Overhead charges (@ 10 %) including Labor, Electricity charges, Pasteurization cost (Gas)			80.02
Total				880.19
Grand Total of 16 lit				880.30
Total Cost of 1 lit Syrup (Fixed Cost + Variable Cost)				55.02

